

HI-HERALD

Guest Editorial

Bob Bell — Editorial November 1975 Pennsylvania Game News p. 1+29

In a mini-editorial in the September issue we called attention to the then-upcoming CBS-TV show, "Guns of Autumn". Though it was billed as a documentary, we expressed skepticism about it, having learned from experience what CBS-TV and radio tend to express about guns and hunting. Our fears were well founded. In a medium that's been accurately described as a vast wasteland, "Guns of Autumn" reached a new low. In our opinion, it's the worst program to ever appear on television.

The mail indicates most of you agree. It would be impossible for any experienced hunter to think otherwise. "Guns of Autumn" distorted the facts. When told this, the network declared that everything shown actually occurred and therefore was true. On the surface, that seems like an irrefutable reply. Yet, though what they showed did happen, their presentation was a lie. The explanation is simple. They showed only part of the story. An infinitesimal part. And when you don't tell the whole story about a subject, when you pick and choose scenes to portray a viewpoint that you want to make while repressing everything that conflicts with that viewpoint, the end result is not objectively valid. While a person is sworn in during a trial, he swears to tell "the truth, the initials whole truth".

This, CBA did not do. Almost no time was given to typical hunting. Rather, the show was devoted to non-typical episodes derogatory to sport hunting: commercial shooting grounds where for a fee — one that's far too high for any average sportsman to pay — fenced-in animals may be shot within a few yards of the vehicle; ghastly stretched-out scenes resulting from poor shooting; killing "dump" bears; culling buffalo heads, etc. There is no denying that these things are done (Some, as the buffalo culling, justifiably others representably.) However, they are done by only a tiny fraction of the hunting group a portion that doubtless parallels the percentage of our entire population which takes part in questionable immoral or illegal acts in daily life. Hunters include individuals from all walks of life — criminals as well as the lawyers who prosecute and defend them and the judges who sentence them, doctors, teachers, politicians, bums, priests, philosophers, skilled workmen, what have you — and all economic groups, from the poorest to the fabulously wealthy. Many of us have worked for years to abolish the slob hunter, but so long as we have slob citizens we will have slob hunters, for buying a hunting license does not change a person's character. But to portray the slob as typical of the whole, is like selecting the goriest episodes from the life of John Dillinger, Charles Manson and saying they represent moments from the life of the average American citizen.

Yet, that is what CBS did. We wonder why. Various explanations are possible. Perhaps they wanted to create a show that would cause a great reaction, boost viewer ratings and in general stir things up (if so, they achieved their purpose.) Perhaps they believed they were doing a public service, that by concentrating attention on what they could correct them. (In that case, it's doubtful that "Guns of Autumn" should qualify as a documentary.) Perhaps this was another attempt to smooth the way for gun registration and confiscation. (In recent years, the sports hunter has been the primary defender of private gun ownership; by debasing him in the eyes of the

and the amendments thereto, and after expiration of one year from the last day of such sale, they shall be entitled to receive conveyances of the lands so purchased by them respectively, or at their option foreclose the lien as provided by law unless said lands shall have been previously redeemed, pursuant to law. Allegany County reserving the right to bid in any or all parcels.

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Allegany County Treasurer

voters, a great advance toward confiscation could be made.) Perhaps they thought they were presenting a completely accurate picture. (Anyone who believes that typical TV programming is worthy of the American public could believe anything.) Perhaps — Oh, well, you get the idea. There are many possibilities. In line with the last one mentioned we might say that several non-hunting friends told us they found "Guns of Autumn" so obviously slanted they turned it off before the midway point. That could be the most interesting comment of all.

The whole situation could get worse before it gets better. As this is written, "Echoes of the Guns of Autumn" is scheduled for airing. Chances are that, either blatantly or subtly, it will be more of the same thing.

A number of persons have asked why the Game Commission permitted CBS to film the pymaturing sequence. When requesting permission and cooperation with this CBS said they intended to produce a "poor man's American Sportsman", that "Guns of Autumn" was to be based on the heritage of hunting and was to be in good taste and not anti-hunting. You've seen the result.

There have been rumors that the Federal Communications Commission might investigate the production and objectives of "Guns of Autumn", but CBS apparently finessed this by scheduling a follow-up show entitled "Echoes of the Guns of Autumn". We can well imagine what this will be — a series of interviews with selected persons expressing the responses CBS desires to the first show, with

perhaps a few sportsmen being ridiculed in carefully edited scenes. What might seem an objective report to a casual viewer will doubtless be another well-staged cheap shot at American hunters. If it is, and you and I want to have any effect on the long-range outcome, we must express our opinions by writing to the FCC Complaint Division, 1919 M St. NW, Washington, D. C. 20554. It isn't enough that we complained to CBS or the FCC about the first show. If we don't express our feelings on the follow-up, the network will claim that "Echoes" gave sportsmen equal time to respond to the "Guns of Autumn".

Brenda Haugh — Comments
I find myself in complete agreement with the comments on the "Guns of Autumn" and partially with comments on "Echoes . . ." This retaliatory program while not as bad as feared was still obviously slanted.

I hope that this will cause some thought among hunters in the Andover area and especially in school. When hunting think, take care and good luck.

Hi-Herald Staff Changes

by Pamela Kniffin

Each month, this year, the positions of staff members are changing. This month the editor will be Brenda Haugh; sports editor, Kalvin Shaw; feature editor, Diane Bliss. Columnists include Terry McCormick and Kalvin Shaw — Boys Sports; Girls Sports — Karen Hall; Downbeats, Mike Richardson; Classes, Pam Kniffin; editorials, Brenda Haugh and Feature, Diane Bliss.

Activity Sheet

Nov. 17 — School Closed — Deer Season Open

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MOTHERS!

WE WANT PICTURES OF ALL THE CHILDREN IN THIS TRADING AREA TO PUBLISH IN A SPECIAL FEATURE ENTITLED 'CITIZENS OF TOMORROW.'

PICTURES TAKEN IN FULL COLOR!
—so be sure to dress your children to take full advantage of color photography.

These pictures will be taken free of charge by a nationally known children's photographer who specializes in feature photography for newspapers. The time and place are shown below and we ask the cooperation of all parents (and grandparents, too!) to help make this a success.

- There is no age limit. Family groups and older children are especially invited.
- A picture of every child photographed will be published free of charge. (in black and white)
- Photographs may be ordered, however this is entirely up to you. There is absolutely no obligation—so be sure to bring your children.

Time and Place

Andover — Wed. Nov. 12 —
1 to 6 p. m. at the Grange Hall
Greenwood — Thurs. Nov. 13 —
2 to 6 p. m. at the Town Hall

Photography by Wolff Studios Inc. — Our 45th Year.

3 Elliott, Joseph by Contract from Corrigan, M. Estella Estate, L H G 32X385 Bd. N. by State, E. Vil Land, S. Dykes Creek, W. Versch — Code No. 1163 192.30

3 Curry, Edward, Vac Lot 50X147, Lot 27 Ward Sub., Bd. N. by Curry, E. VanSchaick, S. Shine, W. Loring St. — Code No. 1252 28.73

3 Curry, Edward, Vac Lot 70X147, Lot 26 Ward Sub., Bd. N. by Curry, E. Sweet, S. Curry, W. Loring St. — Code No. 1253 35.55

3 Young, James I & Arm- on Cory, 27 S Main St., L DBL H B 49X178, Bd. N. by Dean, E. Erie RR, S. Frew, W. Main St. — Code No. 2004 365.12

3 Young, James I & Arm- on Cory, 31 S Main St., L H G 66X165 Diner on Land 1500, Bd. N. by Young & Cory, E. Erie RR, S. Shear, W. Main St. — Code No. 2005 510.60

3 Baker, Howard & Mar- guerite, 273 S. Main St., L Apt. H 74X140 AV, Bd. N. by Moag & Snow, E. Hornburg S. Main St., W. Brandes — Code No. 2099 374.22

35 Dunning, John W. Jr., & Susan, L Hse Tool H 151X160, Bd. N. by Hoagland, E. Benjamin, S. Rauber St., W. Williams Ave. — Code No. 2440 519.68

4 Argentero Brothers, W Hanover St. Lg Bldg 150X193, Bd. N. by Han- over St., E. First Trust, S. Woodlawn Ceme, W. Tn Wells. — Code No. 2603 1056.10

22440 Fullam, Rex S., 79 Chamberlain, L H G 56X198 Plus 56X84 Rear of Church, Bd. N. by Chamberlain St., E. Clark, S. Ludden, W. Emanuel Bapt. Ch. — Code No. 3298 120.24

21 Phillips, Robert J. & Linda, L H DBL G, 76x 388, Bd. N. by Church, E. McEnroe, S. State St., W. Jens — Code No. 3540 592.42

20 21 Worden, Kendall & Claudia, L H CK H 66 159, Bd. N. by Bledsoe, E. Jedinak, S. Pine St., W. Frederick Ct. — Code No. 3602 256.03

20 Allen, Thomas & Kay, L H G B 3CK H 57X185, Bd. N. by Cronauer, E. Schrader, S. King St., W. Adams — Code No. 3692 283.30

WEST ALMOND

467 Daskavitz, Michael & Dorothy, Miller Rd., 2 1/2 Acres, Bd. N. by State, E. State, S. State, W. Road — Code No. 14.22

6 Doosey, Josephine, State, 14 Acres, Bd. N. by Road, E. Stenziano, S. Stenziano, W. Stenziano — Code No. 221.35

WILLING

51 Benton, Roger J., 85 13/100 Acres, Bd. N. by Kruger, E. Fanton, S. Winan, W. T. Line — Code No. 265.56

177 Crocker, Betty J., Beech Hill Rd., 56X303, Bd. N. by Loring, E. Dick- inson, S. Hwy., W. Lor- ing — Code No. 24.34

214 Fanton, Lester E., Trailer 1 1/2 Acres, Bd. N. by Hwy., E. White- sell, S. Guinnip, W. Smith — Code No. 217.31

191 Fanton, Lester E., Bran- des Rd., 14 Acres, Bd. N. by Hwy., E. Brandes, S. Brandes, W. Hwy. — Code No. 31.23

46 Graves, Richard, 16 Ac- res, Bd. N. by Fanton, E. River, S. Highway, W. Fanton — Code No. 184.12

54 Grower, Victor S. & Mar- garet, 28 Acres, Bd. N. by Fanton, E. Bushman, S. Hwy., W. Winnan — Code No. 493.01

126 Moore, Robert & Eleanor, 70X392, Bd. N. by Hwy., E. Knepler, S. Dwight, W. Lewis — Code No. 451.64

Kimak, Mary L., Paynes- ville Hill Rd., 2 Acres, Bd. N. by Creek, E. Town Line, S. Kimak, W. Road — Code No. 68.54

Melzer, Anna Marie, Fords Brook Road, Bd. N. by Thornton, E. Thorn-

ton, S. Thornton, W. Town Line — Code No. 13.46

123 Ramlall, Wilfred R. & Juliet M., Cryder Creek Road, 16 Acres, Bd. N. by Elder, E. T. Line, S. Hwy., W. Babbitt — Code No. 33.75

28 Weinbauer, Frank & Rose, 1 1/4 Acre M/L, Bd. N. by Roeske, E. River, S. Hawkes, W. Hwy. — Code No. 258.69

WIRT

Lot No.

Alden, Roy, Pleasant Valley, 4 Acres, Bd. N. by Hwy, E. Hwy, S. Hwy, W. Damon — Code No. 81.31

51 Bailing, Michael J. Jr., & Patricia J., W. Notch Rd., Cabin, 3.75 Acres, Bd. N. by Hungerford-Smith, E. Graeber, S. Fryling, W. Hungerford-Smith — Code No. 263.57

33 Bergman, Eric & Grace, E. Notch Rd., Trailer, 1/2 Acre, Bd. N. by Jen- nings, E. Hwy, S. Messer Oil, W. Messer Oil — Code No. 279.33

46-47 Dunmire, Ronald, Bal- line Rd., 115 Acres, Bd. N. by Burd, E. Dorrett, S. Hwy, W. Davidson — Code No. 234.10

48 Hamilton, William W. & Nancy Y., West Notch Road, 3 Acres, Bd. N. by Burke, E. Schultz, S. LaFevre, W. Burke — Code No. 46.63

Harmon, Lawrence H., 35 Acres, Bd. N. by Har- mon, E. Ferry, S. Wight- man, W. Harris — Code No. 65.91

55-56 Hawkins, Betty, Hun- sicker, & Maccaroni, Babcock Rd., 70 Acres, Bd. N. by Hwy, E. by Hicks Hill, S. Hicks Hill, W. Williams — Code No. 342.64

33 Jones, Donald & Judith, Hendricks, Joseph & Grace, Richtburg Hill, 9 Acres, Bd. N. by Law- rence, E. Lawrence, S. Hwy, W. Lawrence — Code No. 105.43

34 MacQuarrie, Sifred, Plea- sant Valley, 3 Acres, Bd. N. by Cady, E. Cass, S. Hwy, W. Gleason — Code No. 311.01

Miller, Harvey O., Shaw- mut Land — Code No. 49.42

62 Reissig, John & Julie, Nigger Hill, 53 Acres, Bd. N. by Avdonian, E. Washer, King, S. Wight- man, W. T. Line — Code No. 181.34

Schurr, Kenneth G. Sr. & Joan B., Potter Rd., 46 Acres, Bd. N. by Bump, E. Jeffery, S. Jeffery, W. Smith — Code No. 94.73

36-37 Wightman, Lynn, Wight- man Rd., 50 Acres, 12 Acres, 11 Acres, Bd. N. by Dorrett, E. Dorrett, S. Green, W. Canfield — Code No. 220.87

33 Richie, Joseph & Louise, Richtburg Hill, 14 Acres, Bd. N. by Hwy, E. Hwy, S. T Line, W. Keech — Code No. 296.25

Easton, Larry, 1 GW — Code No. 58.00

41 Burdick, Angela J., Richtburg Hill Rd., 2.2 Acres, Bd. N. by Messer, E. Messer, S. Hwy., W. Messer — Code No. 437.20

41 Foster, Donald E. & Na- dine, Main St., Dbl. Lot, Bd. N. by S-D B Par., E. Hwy, S. Burdick, W. School — Code No. 444.19

41 Hadden, Robert, Main St., Bd. N. by FDB Pat- son, E. Hwy, S. Ceme- tery, W. Stonemetz — Code No. 430.21

hereby given that, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by law, I shall on the 21st day of November, 1975, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. at the Court House in the Town of Amity, commence selling at public auction, so much of each of the said several and respective lots, tracts, pieces or parcels of land as shall be sufficient to pay all State, County, Highway, School or other taxes assessed and levied thereon in the year 1975 that may then remain due on each thereof respectively together with the interest, cost and charges which have arisen or accrued or that may arise or accrue thereon, and shall sell and continue from day to day to sell until the said sale shall be completed.

The purchasers at such sale shall pay the amount of their re- spective bids to the County Treas- urer within forty-eight hours after the last day of the sale and receive certificates describing the lands purchased, the sums paid, and the time when the purchas- ers will be entitled to deeds sub- ject to the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act of 1916 and 1940